

REMARKS

Status of the claims:

With the above amendments, claims 1, 3, 6, 26-29, 36, and 37 have been amended. Claims 1, 3-7, 26-33, and 35-38 are pending and ready for further action on the merits. No new matter has been added by way of the above amendments. Support for the amendments to claims 1 and 3 can be found at page 6, line 20. All other amendments are to correct dependencies. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Examiner Interview

Applicants and Applicants' representative would like to thank the Examiner for taking the time to meet with Applicants' representative on November 6, 2003. Applicants and Applicants' representative particularly appreciate the Examiner's willingness to speak with the Examiner's supervisor discussing possible allowable claims. The gist of the Interview was as is stated in the Interview Summary.

Rejections under 35 USC §112, first paragraph

Claims 1, 3-6, 30-33, 35, and 38 are rejected under 35 USC §112, first paragraph as not being enabled.

Applicants have amended claim 1 to recite a specific sequence (i.e., SEQ ID No: 4). Applicants believe that with this amendment that the full scope of the claimed invention can be made and used without undue experimentation. Applicants have presented several examples of peptides that have anti-angiogenic activity and that are receptors for the N-terminal fragment of plasminogen comprising kringle domains 1-4 and/or 5 wherein these proteins do not cleave plasminogen kringle domains. Accordingly, Applicants submit that the rejection has been obviated and the claim is enabled for its full scope. Withdrawal of the rejection is warranted and respectfully requested.

With the above remarks and amendments, it is believed that the claims, as they now stand, define patentable subject matter such that passage of the instant invention to allowance is warranted. A Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

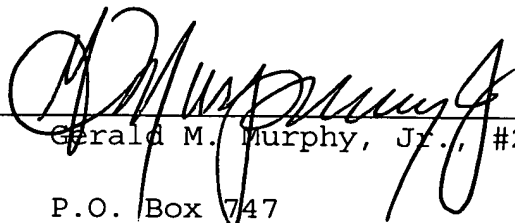
If any questions remain regarding the above matters, please contact Applicant's representative, T. Benjamin Schroeder (Reg. No. 50,990), in the Washington metropolitan area at the phone number listed below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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